



TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Membership



Representative Carlos Uresti

Biographical Information

Carlos I. Uresti is a native Texan, born in San Antonio on September 12, 1963. The youngest of eight children, he is the son of Rachel and Alberto Uresti, Sr. He is married to the former Yolanda Acuña, and has two sons, Michael and Carlitos. Michael is a junior at Texas A&M University, and Carlitos is attending Austin Community College.

Rep. Uresti is a graduate of McCollum High School in San Antonio. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps Reserves as a Private following his graduation. After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a Teacher's Certificate at St. Mary's University, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. After four years of active duty in the Marines, where he earned a Naval Achievement Medal, Rep. Uresti returned to his hometown and began studying law at St. Mary's University School of Law. He received his law degree in 1992, and is currently a partner with the Law Offices of Gonzales Hoblit Ferguson.

Rep. Uresti was elected in a special election to the Texas House of Representatives in June 1997; he has served his constituents honorably for nearly eight years. He is Chairman of the Committee on Human Services, and also serves on the Committee on Elections and Select Committee on Healthcare Expenditures. As a proud former Marine, he is a member of Texas House Veterans Coalition and a life time member of the VFW Post 9186, the United States Marine Corp League, and the Alamo Silver Wings Airborne Association.

During the Interim of the 78th Legislature, Rep. Uresti guided the House Committee on Human Services through a year of hearings concerning the crisis within the state's Child Protective Services and Adult Protective Services. Recognizing that state action alone could not address the fundamental causes of such maltreatment, he was instrumental in the foundation of Bexar County's Blue Ribbon Task Force, a

coalition that brings together hundreds of community members and leaders to fight the causes of child abuse and neglect. He has spearheaded the legislative reform of both protective services, and devoted himself to increasing efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Carlos Uresti is a devoted public servant who has dedicated himself to making District 118, Bexar County, and Texas as a whole, a better place to live and work. He has based his commitment to public service upon a foundation of family values, responsible and responsive government, the protection of our most vulnerable citizens, and veterans rights.

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